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### A CHRISTMAS BALL

"Way out in western Texas,  
where the Clear Forks  
waters flow;  
Where the cattle are a-brownin'  
as are the Spanish ponies  
grow;  
Where the northern come a-  
way from the mountains;  
An the prairie dogs are sneakin'  
if they had the grip;  
Where the coyotes come a-  
howl round the ranches  
after dark;

An the mocking birds are singin' to the lively  
mudder lark;

When the badger, an the badger, an rattlesnake abounds;

Where the monstrosities are wakin' o'er a  
wilderness profound;

Where the mesquines, tawny prairies melt into airy  
streams;

While the Double mountains slumber with  
heavenly kind in dreams;

Where the mesquines is grazin' on the lonely  
plains call—

It was there that I attended the Cowboys'  
Christmas ball.

Town was Anson City, ole Jones' county seat;

Where the mesquines, tawny prairies melt into airy  
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Then Jakob went to his tree, gazed  
at it rapturously, and from time to  
time clapped his hands, for in anticipation  
he already saw all the branches and twigs hung with apples and nuts.

Though the mother could not return before  
6 o'clock, and the clock was now  
striking only 4, Jakob nevertheless every  
little while went out doors to see whether

the child with a silvery tinkie little  
objects fell right and left to the floor.

"Great heavens!" she exclaimed, causin'  
Jakob suddenly to start up. First

he looked around somewhat scared, but  
then, hopping from one leg to the other  
in exuberant joy, he exclaimed: "Yes,  
yes; everything belongs to me. Look  
just look, mother!"

The woman first of all made a light.

Her husband now woke up, too, leaping  
from his bed with both feet at once.

"My God," he said, "the train has  
passed! Of course you have been out  
there, wife?"

His wife turned deathly pale.  
"I have just returned," she gasped.

"But I was out there," chimed in  
Jakob. "When father didn't want to  
wake up at all, I just took the flag and  
the overcoat and did everything all  
right. Nobody knew me, but the Santa  
Claus threw a heap of money from  
the sky down to me—all new money."

Feeling quite miserable yet from the  
spell of fear he had just passed through,  
the flagman, with trembling knees, al-

most practical every Christmas morning,

all the villagers turning out, every  
one armed with two sticks—one for  
beating the bushes and the other for  
throwing at the birds. The origin of the  
custom is to be found in the legend ac-  
cording to which these formerly lived  
in the Isle of Man a very beautiful fairy  
who exercised great influence over the  
male population by means of her voice,  
enticing them into the sea, where they  
were drowned. So long did this continue  
that fears were entertained that the is-  
land would be depopulated. Eventually,  
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